

**AGENDA FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS' "NOON" MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2000
Immediately Following Director's Meeting
CONFERENCE ROOM 113**

I. MINUTES

- *1. Director's Minutes for October 23, 2000.
- *2. Minutes of "Noon" Council Members' Meeting for October 23, 2000.
- *3. Pre-Council Meeting Minutes - RE: Overview Of Keno Funds - October 16, 2000.
- 4. Director's Minutes for August 7, 2000.

II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES

- *1. Duplex Licensing Task Force Meetings (Johnson/McRoy)
- *2. Board Of Health - Strategic Planning Meeting (Johnson) - **CANCELLED**
- *3. Star City Holiday Festival Board Meeting (McRoy)
- *4. Downtown Lincoln Bid Association Board Of Directors Meeting (Seng)
- *5. Community Health Partners Meeting (Seng)
- *6. PRT Meeting (Shoecraft)
- 7. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Facilities/Fees Committee Meeting (Cook)
- 8. DEC Board Meeting (Fortenberry)
- 9. Entryway Corridor Design Committee - Phase 4 (Fortenberry)
- 10. Internal Liquor Committee (Johnson/McRoy/Shoecraft)
- 11. Joint Budget Committee (McRoy/Seng)
- 12. Mayor's Downtown Action Team Meeting (Seng)

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

- 1. Material from Deputy City Clerk Joan Ross – RE: To APPOINT Lois Cockerham (replacing Alice Henneman) to the Food Advisory Committee for the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department - her term will expire in May 2004.

IV. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS

1. Cornhusker Council, Boy Scouts of America, Chateau Development, Woods Bros. Realty, Time Warner Cable, KLKN TV 8 & The Lincoln Journal Star Request the pleasure of your company at an Hors d'oeuvres buffet To witness The Fourth Annual Lighting of LINCOLN LIGHTS - On Thursday, November 16, 2000 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Mahoney Park, 70th & Fremont Streets - RSVP to Cornhusker Council, BSA at 476-8846 - The Lighting will be at 6:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. (See Invitation).
2. CEDARS - Please join Cedars Youth Services in celebrating the renovation of The Cedars Home for Children Facility - 6601 Pioneers Blvd. on Tuesday, November 14, 2000 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (See Invitation).

V. COUNCIL MEMBERS

VI. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - NONE

VII. MISCELLANEOUS - NONE

III. ADJOURNMENT

***HELD OVER FROM OCTOBER 30, 2000.**

MINUTES
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Council Members Present: Jerry Shoecraft, Chair; Jeff Fortenberry, Vice-Chair; Jon Camp, Jonathan Cook, Annette McRoy, Coleen Seng; **ABSENT:** Cindy Johnson,

Others Present: Ann Harrell, Mark Bowen, Mayor's Office; Dana Roper, City Attorney; Joan Ray, Council Secretary; Chris Hain, *Journal Star* representative.

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Mr. Shoecraft, Council Chair, requested a motion to approve the above-listed minutes. Coleen Seng moved approval of the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Jon Camp, and the minutes were approved, as presented, by the following vote: **AYES:** Jonathan Cook, Annette McRoy, Jerry Shoecraft, Coleen Seng, Jon Camp; **NAYS:** None; **ABSENT:** Cindy Johnson; **ABSENT FOR VOTE:** Jeff Fortenberry.

II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES

- *1. DUPLEX LICENSING TASK FORCE (Johnson/McRoy) - CANCELLED
- *2. BOARD OF HEALTH - STRATEGIC PLANNING (Johnson)- CANCELLED
- *3. STAR CITY HOLIDAY FESTIVAL BOARD (McRoy) - Ms. McRoy reported that they're moving along on the parade preparations. She did note that T-shirts were now available for sale. Council Members reminded her that Dale Young used to supply Council Members with sweat shirts for the Parade. Ms. McRoy noted that the Parade Committee was really behind schedule as far as revenues are concerned, so they've been cutting corners quite a bit this year.

*4. DOWNTOWN LINCOLN BID ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS (Seng) - Ms. Seng was unable to attend.

*5. COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERS (Seng) Ms. Seng was unable to attend due to schedule conflict.

*6. PRT (Shoecraft) - Mr. Shoecraft reported that he had attended the meeting and they had gone over open and pending cases. He noted that the only thing coming out of that was the Press Conference regarding Old Riley School. Also, there will be a meeting tomorrow to continue working on the Quality of Life Ordinance Mr. Shoecraft commented that he would have a more detailed report for Council on that issue next week.

Mr. Shoecraft reported that the PRT had also worked on the B-3 zoning issues, and now that that has been passed, we will see what can be done in some of the commercial areas.

7. PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD FACILITIES/FEES COMMITTEE (Cook) Mr. Cook stated that he was not sure if he really should be on that committee or not, and that he did not go to that meeting. The meetings are held on Monday afternoons [in conflict with Council Meetings] so Mr. Cook requested that these meetings not be placed on the "Noon" Meeting Agendas for reports.

8. DEC BOARD MEETING (Fortenberry) Mr. Fortenberry reported that they had passed the DEC Budget for 2001 representing an 8% increase to the City and a 2% increase to the State. The difference was the cost of energy - that being one of the problems; the State's and City's cost for energy is spread equally, but there was some equipment malfunction and the whole thing had to be replaced prematurely. The budget reflects increased operating and maintenance costs trying to make up the differential from last year.

9. ENTRYWAY CORRIDOR DESIGN COMMITTEE - PHASE 4 (Fortenberry) Mr. Fortenberry stated that he had not attended, but asked Ray Hill of the Planning Department to give the Council a quick update.

Mr. Hill reported that Phase 4 includes the area from about 1st and Fletcher, which is the main entrance into the Highlands, down to south of Cornhusker Highway. Phase 3 was, basically, from the Airport down to where it drops off of the viaduct.

In Phase 4 they're using the same theory of landscaping along the corridor - having a large amount of landscaping; not detail type of plant material, but that type which would flow with a traveler as he is driving down the road. One of the things that they did point out is that as one comes over the interchange at Interstate 180 and Interstate 80, it is the first time a traveler gets a nice view of downtown coming in from Highway 34.

Along the way, they talked about the need for screening of the camp grounds at 1st and Ogden; also at the State Maintenance Building on the right. There was also concern about the truck manufacturing location on the east side of Interstate 180, just south of Cornhusker Highway. They would like to have quite a bit of screening in that particular area.

One of the other things that they stressed was the fact that the City as a whole needs to be very particular about what Change of Zones are granted along these entryway corridors. They planned to have the Final Phase 4 presented to Council a week from today.

Ms. Seng asked if they had planned for fountains in Oak Lake? Mr. Hill noted that that possibility had been discussed. Ms. Seng asked if the plan was for one in each of the lakes? Mr. Hill said that was correct. Ms. Seng said "thank you". Mr. Hill explained that there may be some design issues that will have to be worked out because of the shallowness of the water. They didn't want the water display to be squirting up as brown water. But, he added, those are details that can be worked out.

Mr. Fortenberry asked if this plan was consistent with the entire planning effort and Mr. Hill assured him that it was. Mr. Hill stated that, after talking with Lynn Johnson of the Parks and Recreation Department this morning, one of the things that he had learned regarding the truck manufacturing area, is that even though it is *occupied* by the truck manufacturing facility, it is still *owned* by the City, as best Mr. Johnson can recall. There is a lease to the manufacturing company which Mr. Hill suggested that the City may want to take a look at, and see how long the term of lease is and whether or not it can be shortened on that particular piece of property.

10. INTERNAL LIQUOR COMMITTEE (Johnson/McRoy/Shoecraft) Ms. McRoy reported that there had been a presentation from an RHC subcommittee, which covered ways to address the 20% of the liquor licenses that cause 80% of the problems. They came back with recommendations, however, they're ready to go back and do a little more work.

Suggestions were made. What the suggestions proposed would require is a Service Permit so that all bartenders in liquor establishments would have to send their employees to server training much like the food-handling permit procedure. She

noted that the industry was kind of split on whether they want that or not. One suggestion that Ms. McRoy made was a “two strikes” rule; we would only force those bars that had two violations per year to have their employees all go to the service training. So, the subcommittee was going to take that back for consideration. She noted that they are getting closer to some type of action, but exactly what it will be is still under consideration.

Mr. Camp brought up an issue regarding a specific licensee. It was determined that this license would be discussed when Ms. Johnson returned. Mr. Camp commented that some of the guards at this facility had used Mace on some customers during altercations in the facility’s parking lot. Ms. McRoy confirmed that it had happened prior to their calling in the Lincoln Police Department, noting that this is not the proper way to handle a disturbance.

Ms. Seng asked if the ‘Guitars and Cadillacs’ closure had been discussed. Mr. Shoecraft explained that they had just made note of it, but had no discussion. He explained that the tenants had trashed the building before they left; it was noted that they had been leasing the space from the ‘Villager’, the entity that actually owned the property. Mr. Cook observed, with a slight salting of sarcasm, that these must be fine people! Ms. Seng commented that she was glad that they were out of there, because the folks at Gateway Manor were really getting scared with bullets flying around.

Mr. Fortenberry observed that these were the same people who used to have “Teen Night”. He asked if any of the Council Members would be willing to pursue this issue of liquor serving establishments sponsoring teen events. Mr. Dana Roper, City Attorney, explained that the City Ordinance requires that if there is a “Teen Night” and they have their permit, that there is no alcohol available. But there is no requirement that they take the alcohol down from the bar, or cover the bar - they just can’t serve alcohol.

Mr. Camp asked if the Auld Pavilion was still doing “Teen Nights” on Friday and Saturday? He noted that when he grew up they did that and it was such a positive experience. Ms. Seng stated that it hadn’t been in operation for a long time. It was noted that it had been quite a few years ago when Mr. Camp had been attending those events with Mr. Fortenberry noting that the Sonic Drive-in still had skaters when Mr. Camp was participating in those events. [Laughter]

11. JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE (McRoy/Seng) Ms. Seng mentioned the Human Services Community Sheet received by Council from Ms. Kit Boesch. Ms. Seng pointed out that a couple of the things that were discussed at the JBC Meeting were addressed in this information sheet. One of these was the emancipation age, and

Ms. Seng explained the Homeless Coalition had been asking for a long time that this be changed. She asked Council members to be sure to read the article on that issue.

Ms. Seng commented that under the section in the Sheet titled "Community Medical Transportation" (which means Madonna), the funding is running \$200,000 short this year. She encouraged Council Members to read that article as well.

She noted that another discussion had been held on the Child Care Advisory Committee operating under the Health Department. She noted that several months ago, the Committee had been asked to bring forward meeting minutes each month; we've never received minutes. They'd also been asked about the members, who are supposed to be appointed by the City and the County. There have been none of those appointments coming through and it's been over six months. Ms. Seng commented that Ms. Brinkman had been at the meeting and Ms. Seng thought that Ms. Brinkman would have a good report on that issue.

Ms. Seng commented that time had also been spent on the Public Policy Center for the University, which is doing the follow-up on the Needs Assessment and how we're going to handle that - when we'll have meetings and all the logistics involved. When a meeting is scheduled, Ms. Seng noted, she would share any information from that meeting with the Council.

Ms. Seng further reported that the 211 number has been authorized by the Federal Communications Commission as an Access Number for Health and Human Services. Ms. Boesch believes it will be a great innovation since in the past, people have always been told to just use the Blue Pages of the phone book for those Health and Human Services agencies. So, this will soon, at some point, be in operation.

Ms. Seng reported that the United Way people were there to discuss their upcoming community campaign and celebrations.

12. MAYOR'S DOWNTOWN ACTION TEAM (Seng) Ms. Seng reported there had been a lot of discussion about the Old Federal Building and the RFQs. The RFQs have been mailed out and sent to over 100 entities, and she believed that later this November there will be a response time from that mailing.

Also discussed was the tax-increment financing for Block 41, which is the entertainment center, and how that relates to the other districts that we already have in operation. Ms. Seng thought that something would be coming to Council in December on the tax-increment financing, noting that there is a lot of over-lapping of these districts, some that have been in operation and another one that will be coming forward.

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OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS: - None

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS - Noted Without Comment

IV. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS - Noted Without Comment

V. COUNCIL MEMBERS

JONATHAN COOK - Mr. Cook asked about the meeting scheduled to discuss the Amigos development at 27th and Capital Parkway, noting that the meeting will not be held until the 16th. He was concerned that no permits be issued prior to that meeting date. Mr. Bowen stated that no, none would be issued. Mr. Cook wanted to be sure of that, since he had heard conflicting reports in that regard.

ANNETTE McROY - No Further Comments

CINDY JOHNSON - Absent

JERRY SHOECRAFT - No Further Comments

JEFF FORTENBERRY - No Further Comments

COLEEN SENG - No Further Comments

JON CAMP - No Further Comments

ANN HARRELL - No Further Comments

MARK BOWEN - Mr. Bowen announced that the Budget Retreat is being planned for December. He noted that it is currently planned for December 13th. The discussion that ensued determined that some Council Members would be unable to attend the four hour meeting on that date. The final decision was to have the meeting on the 20th of December. Mr. Bowen would offer this option to the Directors. The location would be determined at a later date.

DANA ROPER - No Further Comments

VI. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - None

ADDENDUM

1. **December Meetings** - Council determined that there would be no meetings for the weeks December 25th or January 1st because of the Holidays. The decision to hold a night meeting in December was postponed until next week in order to determine if the Planning Department would have all the documentation required for the presentation on 70th and Highway 2 ready in time for the November night meeting. If it has not, there would have to be a night meeting in December to address that issue. If the issue could be addressed at the November night meeting, there would be no night meeting in December. A final decision will be made next week.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS - None

VIII. MEETING ENDED - Approximately 12:45 p.m.